



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Minoru Hasegawa  
Serial No.: 10/619,859  
Conf. No.: 7727  
Filed: 7/15/2003  
For: THIN FILM MAGNETIC HEAD  
HAVING LOWER AUXILIARY  
MAGNETIC POLE ON LOWER  
MAGNETIC POLE LAYER  
Art Unit: 2627  
Examiner: Tupper, Robert S.

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*5 June 06* 

Date

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PETITION TO ACCEPT UNINTENTIONALLY DELAYED  
REFERENCE TO PARENT APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 120

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicants respectfully petition for acceptance of the Preliminary Amendment filed on April 8, 2004 (copy enclosed), amending the present specification to include a reference to a parent application.

The above-identified application claims the benefit of Parent Application No. PCT/JP01/00191, filed January 15, 2001, as seen in the Declaration. The present application was filed during the pendency of the parent application, but the specification did not contain a reference to the parent application through inadvertent error. The April 8, 2004 Preliminary Amendment corrected this error, but was filed after the expiration of the permitted time periods, and was perhaps not entered. The purpose of this petition is to ensure that the Preliminary amendment is properly entered.

This petition is accompanied by:

(1) A copy of the April 18, 2004 Preliminary Amendment amending the specification to include a reference to the parent application;

(2) The surcharge set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.17(t) in the amount of \$1,370.00;

and

(3) A statement under 37 C.F.R. 1.78(5)(iv), in a separate paper, that the entire delay between the date the reference to the parent application was due under paragraph 37 C.F.R. 1.78(a)(2)(i) and the date the amendment referring to the parent application was filed was unintentional.

As the requirements of 37 C.F.R. 120 are believed to have been met, Applicants respectfully request acceptance of the enclosed amendment. If any outstanding issues exist, the examiner is invited to contact applicants' attorney at the below-listed number.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees, and to credit any refunds, to Deposit Account No. 07-2069. A duplicate of this Petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Specification:

Please insert the following between the title and line 1 of the specification:

--This is a continuation of International PCT Application No. PCT/JP01/00191, filed January 15, 2001.--

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request that this amendment to the specification be considered with the examination of this application. The amended language reflects the priority claim that was timely made in the original papers filed with this Application.

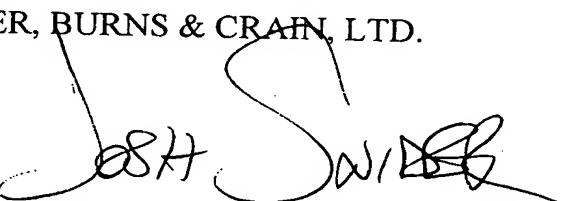
Applicants also request that a Corrected Filing Receipt be issued which reflects the domestic priority data claimed by applicants.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 07-2069. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 07-2069. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

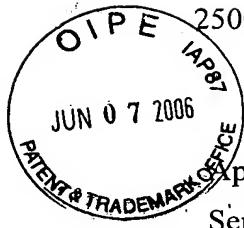
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STATEMENT OF UNINTENTIONAL DELAY OF  
BENEFIT CLAIM UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.78 (a)(5)(iv)

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Dear Sir:

Applicants' attorney hereby states that the entire delay between the date the specification should have been amended under 37 C.F.R. 1.78(a)(2)(i) and the date the specification was amended (submitted herewith) was unintentional.

If any outstanding issues exist, the Patent Office is invited to contact applicants' attorney at the below-listed number.

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